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SUBJECT: KOREA AT THE 31ST UNGA -- GREEK INTEREST

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1. GREEK EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY KATSAREAS CALLED AT DEPARTMENT AUGUST 4 TO INQUIRE ABOUT HOW USG WILL APPROACH KOREA QUESTION AT 31ST UNGA. DEPARTMENT OFFICER SAID THAT INITIAL APPROACH OF THE USG AND OTHER SUPPORTERS OF ROK HAS BEEN TO SEEK WAY TO AVOID ANOTHER CONTENTIOUS UNGA DEBATE WHILE PREPARING TO MEET ANY CHALLENGE BY NORTH KOREA AND ITS SUPPORTERS.

2. DEPARTMENT OFFICER ASKED KATSAREAS IF GOG WOULD BE PREPARED TO ASSIST THESE EFFORTS. KATSAREAS REPLIED THAT HE WAS NOT INSTRUCTED TO SPEAK OFFICIALLY, BUT EXPRESSED
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HIS PERSONAL VIEW THAT SMALLER ALIGNED COUNTRIES COULD

POSSIBLY MAKE EFFECTIVE APPROACHES AMONG THE NON-ALIGNED
IN THE SEARCH FOR REASONABLE NON-CONTENTIOUS APPROACHES TO
CONFLICTS INVOLVING LARGER POWERS.

3. KATSAREAS NOTED EMBASSY ATHENS APPROACH TO MFA AND
SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN ASKED TO INQUIRE ABOUT REACTIONS OF
THE NORTH KOREANS AND THEIR SUPPORTERS TO THE SECRETARY'S

JULY 22 SPEECH. AT TIME OF CONVERSATION WE DID NOT HAVE
NORTH KOREAN OFFICIAL STATEMENT SUMMARIZED PARA 4 AND
DEPARTMENT OFFICER MERELY NOTED THAT WE HAD SEEN TASS
REPORT AND A NUMBER OF SOVIET MEDIA ARTICLES APPLAUDING
REPORTED NORTH KOREAN TURNDOWN OF SECRETARY'S PROPOSAL.

4. IN LONG GOVERNMENTAL STATEMENT AUGUST 5 ACCUSING U.S.
OF INCREASING TENSIONS AND "COMPLETING WAR PREPARATIONS",
NORTH KOREANS CHARGED THAT CONFERENCE PROPOSAL IS
STALLING TACTIC TO IMPEDE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE (HOSTILE)
RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE LAST UNGA. EMBASSY MAY SO
INFORM GOG, NOTING THAT THERE OBVIOUS IRONY IN THAT NORTH
KOREA COMPLAINS OF TENSIONS YET FAILS TO RESPOND TO OFFER
TO MEET AND DISCUSS MEASURES TO REDUCE TENSIONS ON THE
PENINSULA.

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